

# WORK SESSION AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION  
TUESDAY  
JANUARY 11, 2022

COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
211 WEST ASPEN AVENUE  
3:00 P.M.

## ATTENTION

**IN-PERSON AUDIENCES AT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

All City Council Meetings are live streamed on the city's website  
(<https://www.flagstaff.az.gov/1461/Streaming-City-Council-Meetings>)

### \*\*\*PUBLIC COMMENT\*\*\*

Verbal public comments may be given through a virtual public comment platform.

If you want to provide a verbal comment during the Council Meeting, use the link below to join the virtual public comment room.

### [VIRTUAL PUBLIC COMMENT WAITING ROOM](#)

Written comments may be submitted to [publiccomment@flagstaffaz.gov](mailto:publiccomment@flagstaffaz.gov). All comments submitted via email will be considered written comments and will be documented into the record as such.

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#### 1. Call to Order

#### NOTICE OF OPTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the City Council and to the general public that, at this work session, the City Council may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice and discussion with the City's attorneys for legal advice on any item listed on the following agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).*

#### 2. ROLL CALL

*NOTE: One or more Councilmembers may be in attendance through other technological means.*

MAYOR DEASY  
VICE MAYOR DAGGETT  
COUNCILMEMBER ASLAN  
COUNCILMEMBER MCCARTHY

COUNCILMEMBER SALAS  
COUNCILMEMBER SHIMONI  
COUNCILMEMBER SWEET



**3. Pledge of Allegiance, Mission Statement, and Land Acknowledgement**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

*The mission of the City of Flagstaff is to protect and enhance the quality of life for all.*

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

*The Flagstaff City Council humbly acknowledges the ancestral homelands of this area's Indigenous nations and original stewards. These lands, still inhabited by Native descendants, border mountains sacred to Indigenous peoples. We honor them, their legacies, their traditions, and their continued contributions. We celebrate their past, present, and future generations who will forever know this place as home.*

**4. Public Participation**

*Public Participation enables the public to address the council about items that are not on the prepared agenda. Public Participation appears on the agenda twice, at the beginning and at the end of the work session. You may speak at one or the other, but not both. Anyone wishing to comment at the meeting is asked to fill out a speaker card and submit it to the recording clerk. When the item comes up on the agenda, your name will be called. You may address the Council up to three times throughout the meeting, including comments made during Public Participation. Please limit your remarks to three minutes per item to allow everyone to have an opportunity to speak. At the discretion of the Chair, ten or more persons present at the meeting and wishing to speak may appoint a representative who may have no more than fifteen minutes to speak.*

**5. Review of Draft Agenda for the January 18, 2022 City Council Meeting**

*Citizens wishing to speak on agenda items not specifically called out by the City Council may submit a speaker card for their items of interest to the recording clerk.*

**6. Commission on Diversity Awareness Recommendation for Equitable Restroom Availability**

Presentation from the Commission on Diversity Awareness

**7. Presentation: Municipal Equality Index**

Obtain feedback and input from Council on the 2021 Municipal Equality Index issued by the Human Rights Campaign.

**8. Carbon Neutrality Plan Quarterly Update**

This is an informational update for the City Council and Flagstaff community.

**9. COVID-19 Update**

**STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

City staff will make a recommendation on the phase of the City's Re-Entry Plan and inform Council discussion about masks and COVID-19 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) attendance.

**10. Public Participation**



**11. Informational Items To/From Mayor, Council, and City Manager; future agenda item requests**

**12. Adjournment**

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING OF NOTICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Flagstaff City Hall on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m. in accordance with the statement filed by the City Council with the City Clerk.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Stacy Saltzburg, MMC, City Clerk



**CITY OF FLAGSTAFF  
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

**To:** The Honorable Mayor and Council  
**From:** Stacy Saltzburg, City Clerk  
**Date:** 01/07/2022  
**Meeting Date:** 01/11/2022



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**TITLE:**

**Commission on Diversity Awareness Recommendation for Equitable Restroom Availability**

**DESIRED OUTCOME:**

Presentation from the Commission on Diversity Awareness

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

**INFORMATION:**

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**Attachments:** [Presentation](#)





# EQUITABLE RESTROOM ORDINANCE

A RECOMMENDATION FROM  
THE COMMISSION ON DIVERSITY AWARENESS  
FOR THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF



## EQUITABLE RESTROOM ORDINANCE

- The Commission on Diversity Awareness recommends the creation and passage of a city ordinance requiring that all single occupancy public restrooms be available for use for everyone regardless of gender.



# EQUITABLE RESTROOM ORDINANCE

Purpose of the ordinance:

- Promote the safety of gender non-conforming persons
- Create a welcoming environment for gender non-conforming persons
- Increase restroom availability for all



# EQUITABLE RESTROOM ORDINANCE

## Key elements:

- Restrooms affected by this ordinance would be those intended for use by one person at a time, or for family or assisted use, and located in buildings owned by the City of Flagstaff.
- Signage on such restrooms would include words such as “gender neutral,” “all gender,” or simply the word “restroom” without reference to the gender of the occupant.
- Responsibility for ensuring that signage is updated to meet these requirements would be determined by the City Council.
- The ordinance would affect all existing and future single-occupancy restrooms.
- The ordinance would include an effective date determined by the City Council.



# EQUITABLE RESTROOM ORDINANCE

Furthermore, the Commission on Diversity Awareness requests that the Flagstaff City Council recommend the practice of using nongendered signage for single-occupancy restrooms used by the public but not owned by the city (such as restrooms in educational facilities, healthcare facilities, and businesses that are open to the public).





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# EQUITABLE RESTROOM ORDINANCE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!



## **CITY OF FLAGSTAFF STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

**To:** The Honorable Mayor and Council  
**From:** Chris Rhode, Management Analyst  
**Date:** 01/03/2022  
**Meeting Date:** 01/11/2022



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### **TITLE:**

**Presentation: Municipal Equality Index**

### **DESIRED OUTCOME:**

Obtain feedback and input from Council on the 2021 Municipal Equality Index issued by the Human Rights Campaign.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Each year, the Human Rights Campaign issues a scorecard that evaluates the inclusivity of municipal laws, policies & services in hundreds of cities across the United States on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity. The scores detailed in the attached PowerPoint represent the most updated scorecard for the City of Flagstaff. City staff has identified possible actions that the City could take to improve its score on several metrics.

City Staff is requesting input from Council on the current state of institutional inclusivity within the City as well as direction on actions the City can take to further inclusivity and improve its score on the annual Municipal Equality Index Scorecard. Any direction that is received will be used by City staff to guide their work throughout the year on this topic.

### **INFORMATION:**

The City of Flagstaff has received the same score on the Municipal Equality Index each year since 2018.

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**Attachments:** [2022.01.11 Municipal Equality Index](#)



# Municipal Equality Index

Possible Actions to improve services to  
services to LGBTQ+ community







# Summary



## What is the Municipal Equality Index?

- Evaluation of inclusivity of municipal laws, policies & services
  - Sexual Orientation
  - Gender Identity
- Published by the Human Rights Campaign
- 506 municipalities
  - 11 in Arizona





# Summary

## Contents of Scorecard

- 100 points is max score
  - Additional 22 “Flex Points”
- 5 Categories
  - Non-discrimination Laws
  - Municipality as Employer
  - Municipal Services
  - Law Enforcement
  - Leadership on LGBTQ Equality





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## Overall Score

- 88/100
- Same score since 2018

CATEGORY	SCORE	FLEX PTS
Non-discrimination Laws	20/30	+0
Municipality as Employer	22/28	+1
Municipal Services	10/12	+4
Law Enforcement	22/22	N/A
Leadership on LGBTQ Equality	7/8	+2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>81/100</b>	<b>+7</b>



# Where we lose points

- Housing NDO
- Transgender-inclusive healthcare benefits
- Enforcement of NDO
- Leadership's pro-equality policy efforts
- All-gender facilities
- Conversion Therapy
- Youth bullying prevention policy
- Services to unhoused LGBTQ people
- Services to LGBTQ older adults
- Services to the transgender community
- Testing limits of restrictive state law(s)







# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## Housing Non-Discrimination Laws

- Points Received: 0/10
- City NDO covers “Public Accommodations” but not “Housing”
- Only Phoenix, Tucson, Tempe received full points in AZ
- Possible preemption from adding housing to NDO ([A.R.S. § 9-500.09](#))
  - Allows municipalities over 350k to adopt fair housing ordinance
- City stance: LGBTQ is included as federally protected class (sex)

### Possible Action:

Research legality of including housing in NDO and if legal pass amendment to city’s NDO to include Housing





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## City provides Transgender-Inclusive Healthcare Benefits

- Points Received: 0/6
- Benefits set in coordination with healthcare provider
- Working with BCBS to include coverage options inclusive to transgender employees

### Possible Action:

Continue working with provider to include transgender-inclusive coverage to City employees





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## **Non-Discrimination Ordinance is enforced by CODA**

- Points Received: 0/2
- NDO is enforced by City Manager's Office
- Existence of CODA satisfies separate area of scorecard
  - Commissions are primarily advisory and educational

### **Possible Action 1:**

Revise mission of the CODA to include enforcing the NDO

### **Possible Action 2:**

Actively seek points from HRC for current procedures





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## Leadership's Pro-Equality Legislative or Policy Efforts

- Points Received: 2/3
- Based on policy efforts and public stances of elected officials
- Subjective criteria

### Possible Action:

None Identified





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## Single-Occupancy All-Gender Facilities

- Points Received: 0/2
- CODA work to make city-owned facilities gender-neutral
- 2 Points for ordinance requiring all gender facilities citywide
- Gender-neutral restrooms added to 2019 update of IBC

### Possible Action 1:

Adopt updated version of IBC

### Possible Action 2:

Ordinance requiring gender-neutral facilities in all buildings in city





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## City Protects Youth from Conversion Therapy

- Points Received: 0/2
- Conversion therapy not banned at State level
  - No pre-emption on localities passing ban
  - Pima County is only jurisdiction to ban Conversion Therapy

### Possible Action:

Ordinance banning conversion therapy for individuals under the age of 18.





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## Youth Bullying Prevention Policy for City Services

- Points Received: 0/2
- 1 point each for sexual orientation and gender identity
- Anti-bullying provisions currently done by each program
  - Language likely to vary

### Possible Action 1:

Collect and evaluate anti-bullying rules of individual programs

### Possible Action 2:

Ordinance prohibiting bullying in its youth programs on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## City Provides Services to LGBTQ People Experiencing Homelessness

- Points Received: 0/2
- Services provided through Northland Family Help Center
  - 24-hour crisis line, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault shelter
  - Respectful of self-identified gender and sexual orientation
  - Assigns transgender youth to rooms within self-identified gender.
  - Provides transportation for LGBTQ youth to attend the one-on-one

### Possible Action:

Document services provided by Northland Family Help Center





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## City Provides Services to LGBTQ Older Adults

- Points Received: 0/2
- Must be programs that target LGBTQ community directly
- No city programs identified that specifically target adult LGBTQ community

### Possible Action 1:

Evaluate non-city programs to ensure community needs being met

### Possible Action 2:

Begin offering city programs for the adult LGBTQ community





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## City Provides Services to the Transgender Community

- Points Received: 0/2
- Programs must target transgender community directly
- No city programs identified that specifically target transgender community

### Possible Action 1:

Evaluate non-city programs to ensure community needs being met

### Possible Action 2:

Begin offering city programs for the transgender community





# Flagstaff 2021 Scorecard

## City Tests Limits of Restrictive State Law

- Points Received: 0/3
- Designed as incentive for municipalities to push back on state laws that hinder LGBTQ inclusivity

### Possible Action:

N/A



## CITY OF FLAGSTAFF STAFF SUMMARY REPORT

**To:** The Honorable Mayor and Council  
**From:** Nicole Antonopoulos, Sustainability Director  
**Co-Submitter:** Jenny Niemann, Ramon Alatorre  
**Date:** 12/27/2021  
**Meeting Date:** 01/11/2022



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### TITLE:

**Carbon Neutrality Plan Quarterly Update**

### DESIRED OUTCOME:

This is an informational update for the City Council and Flagstaff community.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This informational update will highlight efforts over the last quarter to advance the Carbon Neutrality Plan.

### INFORMATION:

Staff will speak to work in

- Community Resilience
- Equitable Systems
- Decreased Dependence on Cars
- Electric Mobility
- Clean Electricity
- Building Fuel Switching
- Reduced Building Energy Use
- Sustainable Consumption and Waste Management
- Carbon Dioxide Removal

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**Attachments:** [Carbon Neutrality Plan Overview Reference Booklet](#)  
[Carbon Neutrality Plan Quarterly Update](#)



# A Bold Vision: Flagstaff Carbon Neutrality Plan Summary

JUNE 2021





# MOVING FORWARD

- > **CLIMATE CHANGE**, accelerated by human-caused greenhouse gas emissions, is **disrupting global weather patterns and threatening communities across the world**. If the increasing amount of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere is not reduced, life as we understand it will be irreversibly altered.
- > **THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY** requires an urgent mobilization effort to restore a safe climate, protect the earth's diversity of culture and life, and prioritize vulnerable communities.

In response to community appeals, the Flagstaff City Council declared a Climate Emergency in June 2020, calling for a dramatic increase in ambition and a city-wide mobilization towards an equitable transition.

The Climate Emergency Declaration is the foundation for this document and Flagstaff's goal to reach carbon neutrality by 2030.

**The Flagstaff Carbon Neutrality Plan outlines how the Flagstaff community will respond to the climate emergency. The path to carbon neutrality will require leadership, bold action, perseverance and creativity. Each step closer to carbon neutrality offers hope for a healthy, prosperous, and equitable future for the Flagstaff community—and the world.**


- > **FLAGSTAFF COMMUNITY MEMBERS** spurred the creation of the **Climate Emergency Declaration**, starting with a citizen petition. Residents formed coalitions representing groups with unique perspectives on climate change, from business owners to grandparents. Hundreds of community members organized to attend City Council meetings and request the Climate Emergency Declaration.

Community involvement continued throughout the development of this Plan. **Community voices will remain integral as the City moves forward to reach Flagstaff's climate goals.**

- > **CLIMATE CHANGE AFFECTS PEOPLE DIFFERENTLY**. Vulnerable communities, including low-income families, communities of color, and the elderly, will face the greatest challenges from climate change. Equity and climate justice will be foundational elements of our work, to avoid harm to underserved groups and to ensure the benefits of climate action are fairly distributed.



## OUR VISION



The Flagstaff community takes ambitious action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and build community resilience, resulting in a higher quality of life for all residents. This transformation involves the entire community, is supported by collaborations with regional and tribal partners, provides opportunities, and centers vulnerable communities in an equitable transition towards carbon neutrality.

## OUR GOALS

1

### **Achieve carbon neutrality by 2030.**

Flagstaff will arrive at carbon neutrality, also known as net-zero community greenhouse gas emissions, by 2030. Flagstaff will first reduce emissions as much as possible, and then balance the remaining emissions with carbon dioxide removal.

2

### **Prepare Flagstaff's communities, systems, and resources to be more resilient to climate change impacts.**

Climate changes have already taken place in northern Arizona; natural and societal shifts will continue to occur. Flagstaff must respond to climate change through adaptation, or preparing for change and strengthening our social, economic, and infrastructure systems.

3

### **Address climate change in a manner that prioritizes those most impacted and ensures the costs and benefits of climate adaptation and mitigation are equitably distributed.**

Climate change disproportionately impacts communities of color and low-income neighborhoods. These communities contribute the least to greenhouse gas emissions but suffer the greatest effects of climate change and its turbulent impacts.



# OUR PATH TO CARBON NEUTRALITY

## We will:

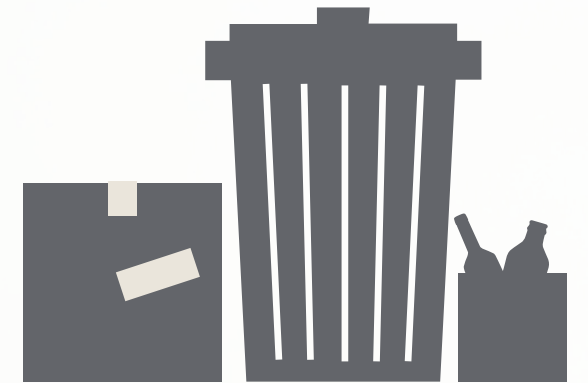
### > STRENGTHEN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS

- Resilient Community
- Equitable Systems
- Decreased Dependence on Cars



### > MANAGE OUR CONSUMPTION

- Reduced Building Energy Demand
- Sustainable Consumption and Waste Management



### > CLEAN OUR ENERGY SOURCES

- Clean Electricity
- Building Fuel Switching
- Electric Mobility



### > UPHOLD OUR COMMITMENT

- Carbon Dioxide Removal

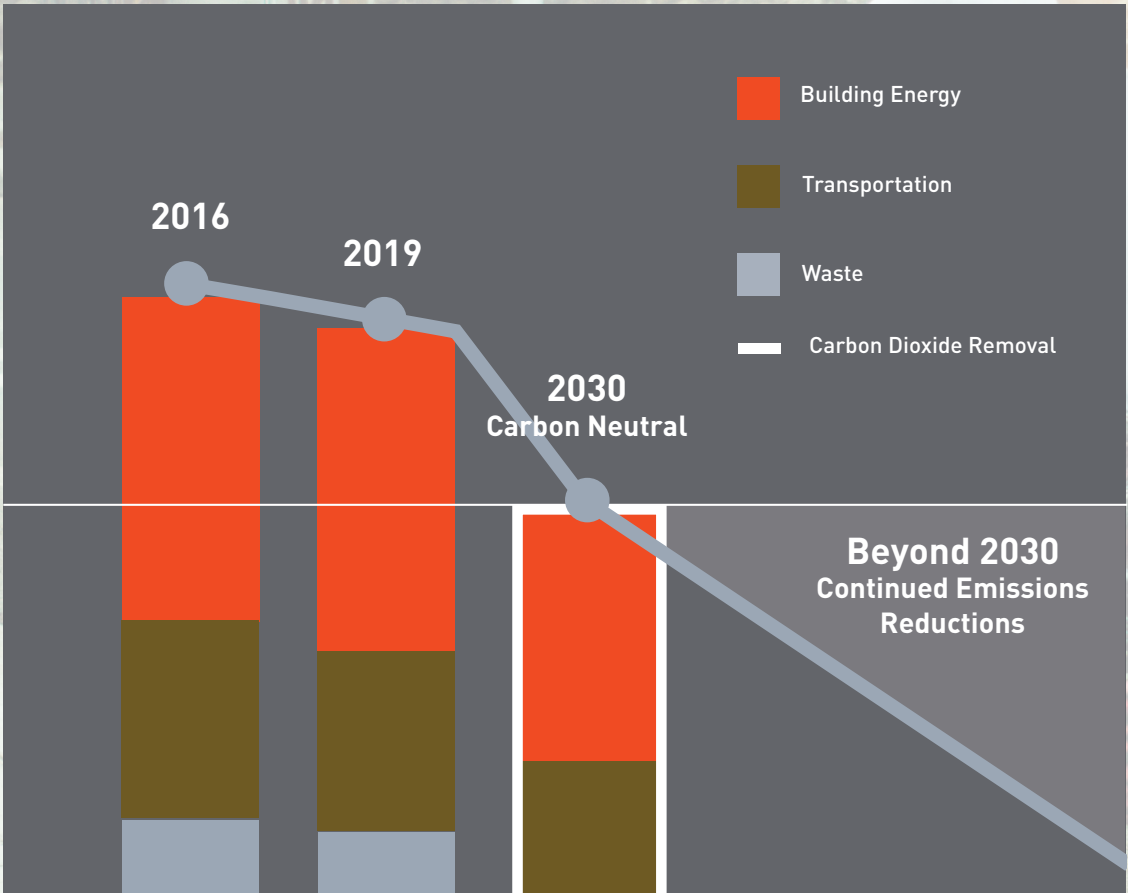




We will tackle Flagstaff's major sources of greenhouse gas emissions.



# FLAGSTAFF'S PATH TO CARBON NEUTRALITY



Carbon neutrality will be achieved through a combination of local emissions reductions and carbon dioxide removal initiatives to offset the remaining community emissions that the City does not eliminate. The City of Flagstaff will work to achieve the greatest reductions in greenhouse gas emissions possible, a projected reduction of 44%. Because our community will still cause emissions in 2030, carbon dioxide removal (CDR) will be necessary. CDR helps to fill the gap between current emissions and zero emissions, counter-balancing remaining emissions with projects that remove emissions from the atmosphere. CDR is a part of all carbon neutrality portfolios, though the proportion of emissions reductions achieved can vary greatly from community to community.



# OUR ACTION PLAN

## > STRENGTHEN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS

### > RESILIENT COMMUNITY

- Ensure all mitigation actions improve Flagstaff's ability to adapt to the future.
- Strengthen existing community systems to create resilience to both short-term shocks and long-term change.

### > EQUITABLE SYSTEMS

- Incorporate equity as a foundational element of every climate action the City develops and implements.
- Proactively engage community members on an ongoing basis.
- Design targeted policies and programs to serve vulnerable communities first.
- Actively seek to recognize past harms, repair trust, and build deeper relationships with community members.

### > DECREASED DEPENDENCE ON CARS

- Encourage vibrancy, appropriate density, and attainability in existing neighborhoods, so that more residents can live within walking distance to their daily needs.
- Create inclusive networks for walking and biking that are continuous, attractive, safe, comprehensive, and convenient for people of all ages.
- Encourage Flagstaff residents and visitors to walk, bike, roll and take the bus.
- Transform transportation policies and planning to incorporate greenhouse gas emissions analysis and reduce dependence on driving.
- Invest in comprehensive and equitable transit.
- Proactively invest to protect Flagstaff's clean air status.

## > CLEAN OUR ENERGY SOURCES

### > ELECTRIC MOBILITY

- Advance the electrification of buses across Flagstaff.
- Welcome electric micro-mobility devices as legitimate, healthy, affordable and low-carbon modes of transportation.
- Support residents, businesses, and institutions in the transition to electric vehicles.

### > CLEAN ELECTRICITY

- Produce 100% renewable electricity to cover all City of Flagstaff municipal electricity needs.
- Increase renewable energy installations and usage in new buildings.
- Support solar installations on existing residential and commercial buildings.

### > BUILDING FUEL SWITCHING

- Reduce or remove natural gas usage in municipal buildings.
- Encourage new buildings to rely on the electric grid as their main energy source.
- Support fuel switching in existing residential and commercial buildings.
- Provide training and education on fuel switching.



# OUR ACTION PLAN

## > MANAGE OUR CONSUMPTION

### > REDUCED BUILDING ENERGY DEMAND

- Achieve net zero energy City of Flagstaff facilities.
- By 2030, require new homes in Flagstaff to be net zero energy homes.
- Reduce energy use in existing buildings.

### > SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

- Manage emissions from the Cinder Lake Landfill.
- Encourage sustainable consumption.
- Divert more waste from the landfill.
- Reduce organic waste going to the landfill and feed hungry people.

## > UPHOLD OUR COMMITMENT

### > CARBON DIOXIDE REMOVAL

- Develop a portfolio of local and regional carbon dioxide removal initiatives to meet Flagstaff's commitment to carbon neutrality.
- If local carbon dioxide removal projects are insufficient, obtain high-quality carbon offsets and CO2 Removal Certificates (CORCs).



**Stay informed. Get involved.**

**[www.flagstaff.az.gov/climate](http://www.flagstaff.az.gov/climate)**



Take a picture of this QR code  
to connect to our climate site.

Learn more about this plan, and the steps we'll take to achieve our goals.

The City of Flagstaff is committed to keeping you up to date on our work as it develops, the progress we're making, and how you can contribute to this work.

**We want to hear from you.**

Use the link above to sign up for our monthly newsletter  
and follow **@flgsustain** on social media.





# Carbon Neutrality Plan Quarterly Update

January 11, 2022







# Today's Discussion

1. Introducing Jenna Ortega, Climate Engagement Coordinator
2. Reaching Carbon Neutrality - Action Update
  - Strong neighborhoods
  - Clean Energy Sources
  - Managed Consumption
  - Upholding our Commitment
2. Engagement Update
3. Implementation Tools Update
4. Investment Strategy Update
5. Highlights of Upcoming Actions





# Welcome, Jenna!

Jenna Ortega joined our team as the Climate Engagement Coordinator in November.

- Encourage community participation and advance climate action.
  - Educational programs
  - Increase inclusiveness and accessibility
  - Advisory Groups
  - Strengthen relationships, trust, and accountability
  - Youth engagement





# Carbon Neutrality Action Updates

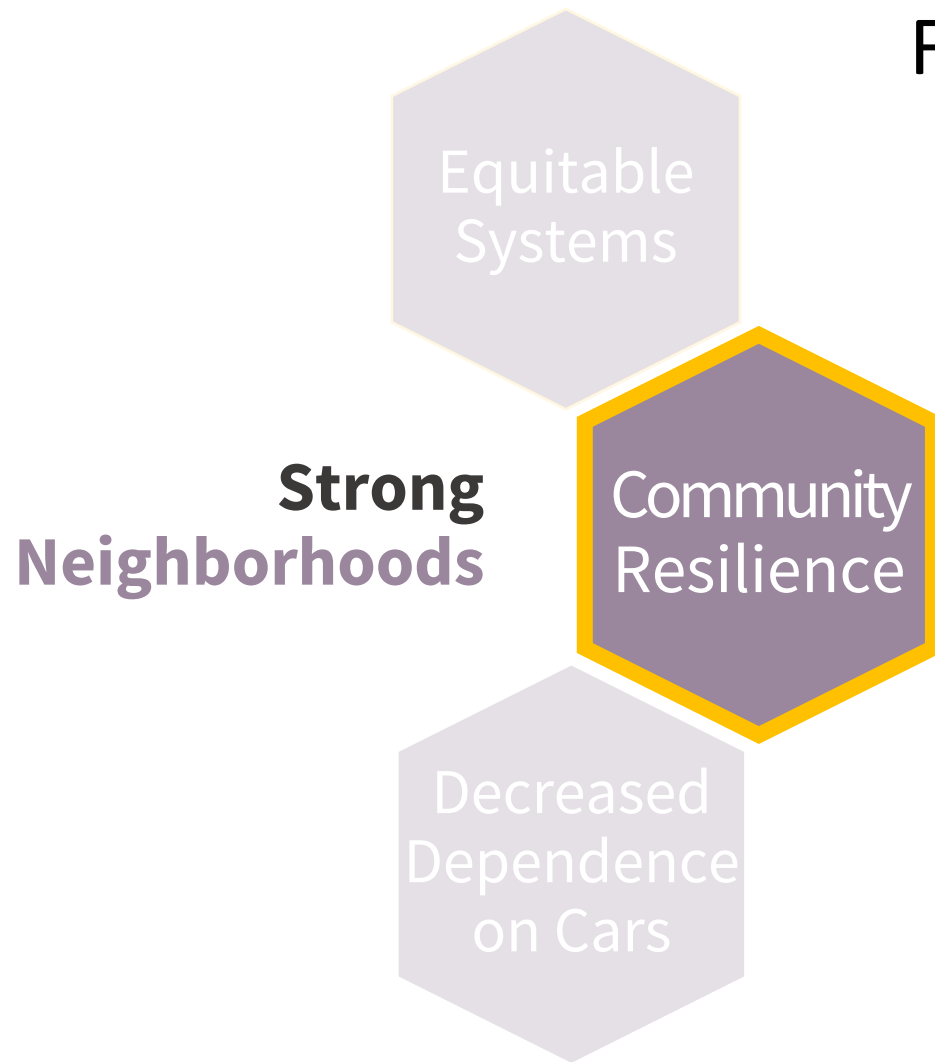






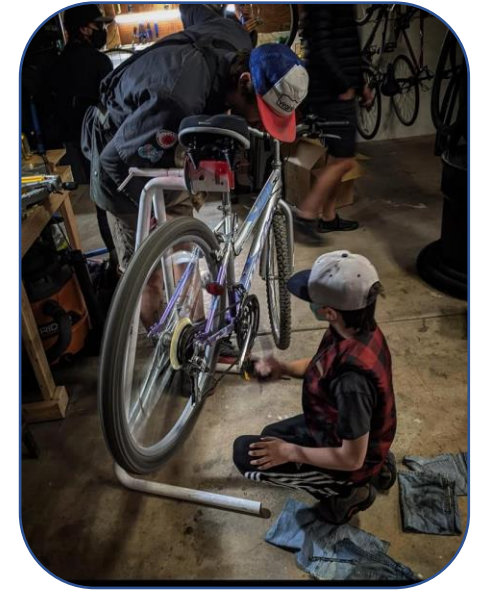
- Make a Difference Day
- Flagstaff HEPA Filter Program
  - APS Grant award of \$2,500
- Flagstaff Climate Resilience Community Survey
- Neighborhood Sustainability Grants
- Key Partners advancing climate planning:
  - Flagstaff Unified School District
  - Coconino County
  - MetroPlan
  - Northern Arizona University





## FY21-22 Neighborhood Sustainability Grants

1. Lefty Loosey Bikes
  - Bike building and bike repair pop-up events
2. Friends of Flagstaff Future
  - Air quality monitoring and toolkits for schools
3. Superyard Farms
  - Carbon Farm
4. COCO-OP
  - Community Tool Library
5. Dr. Ricardo Guthrie
  - Informing people about racial reconciliation and progress







## FY21-22 Neighborhood Sustainability Grants

### 6. AZ Custom Plastics

- Nonrecyclable plastics recycling infrastructure
- Community Assistance Teams of Flagstaff
- Bus to aid unsheltered relatives

### 7. Tynkertopia

- Rainwater harvesting and composting

### 8. Northland Family Help Center

- Repair garden beds and make cuttings and sprouts available

### 9. Liminal Flagstaff

- Pay-as-you-can food plates and a community fridge

### 10. Coconino County Cooperative Extension

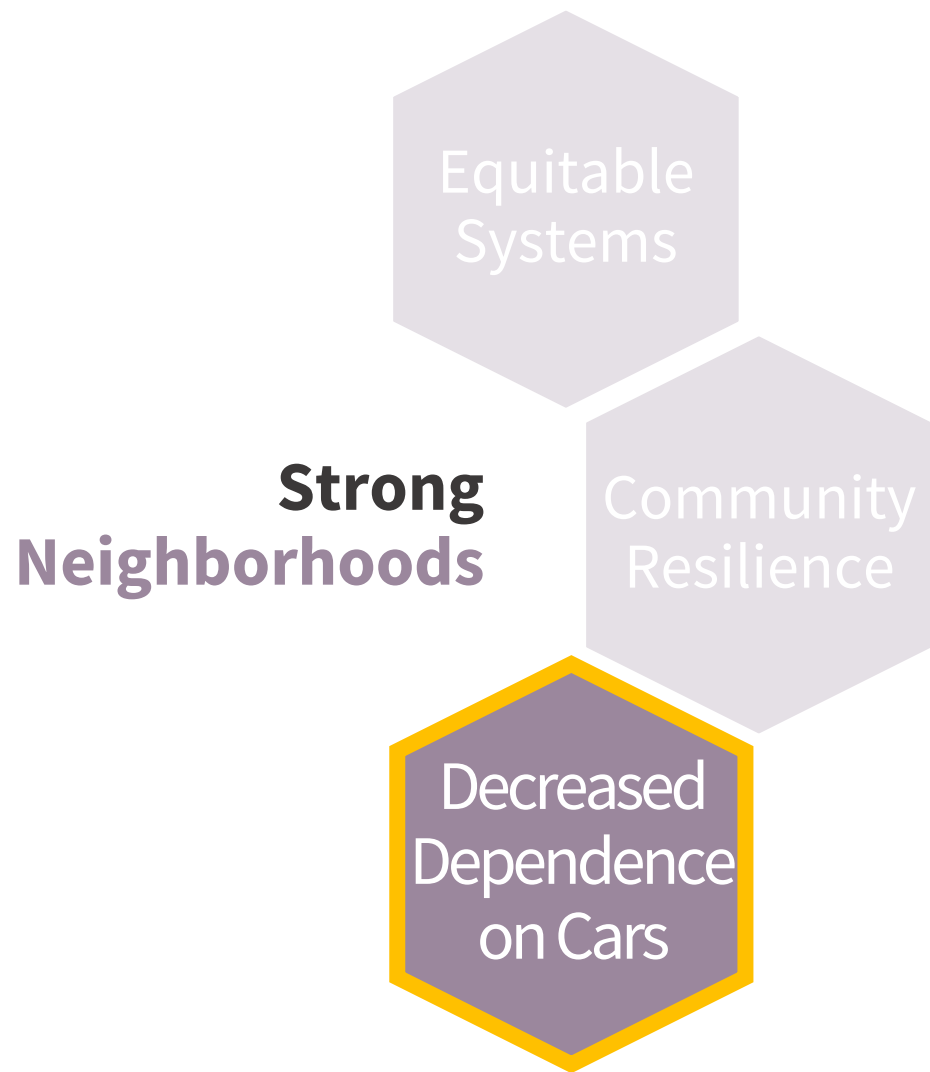
- Rainwater harvesting basins





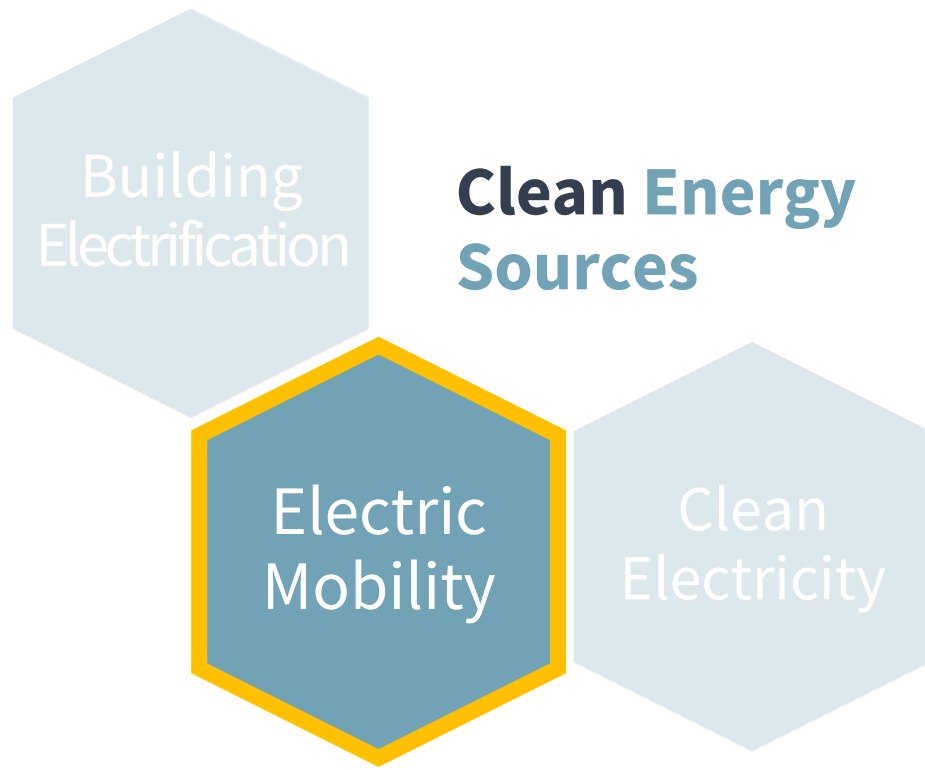
- **Youth, Business, and Equity Climate Advisory Groups**
  - Bring community voices and participation into local climate action
  - Advisory Groups will provide advice and recommendations to:
    - Advance the city's carbon neutrality goals
    - Identify opportunities for, and challenges to, climate action
    - Improve the inclusiveness, relevance, effectiveness, and accessibility of climate programs and services
    - Ensure that everyone can benefit from climate action
    - Connect the City with the people, communities, and businesses it serves





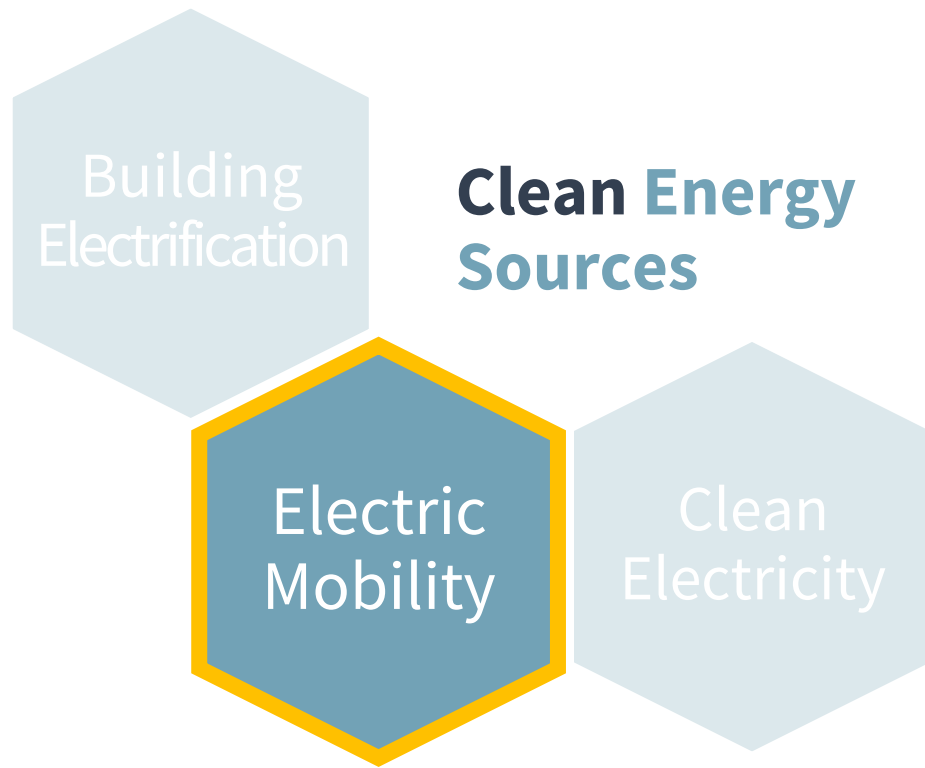
- Awarded a MetroPlan grant in the amount of \$100,000
- Update to the Sustainable Building Incentive
- Update to the High Occupancy Housing zoning code amendments
- Regional Plan amendment for carbon neutrality
- Community University Public Inquiry (CUPI) at NAU community research projects.



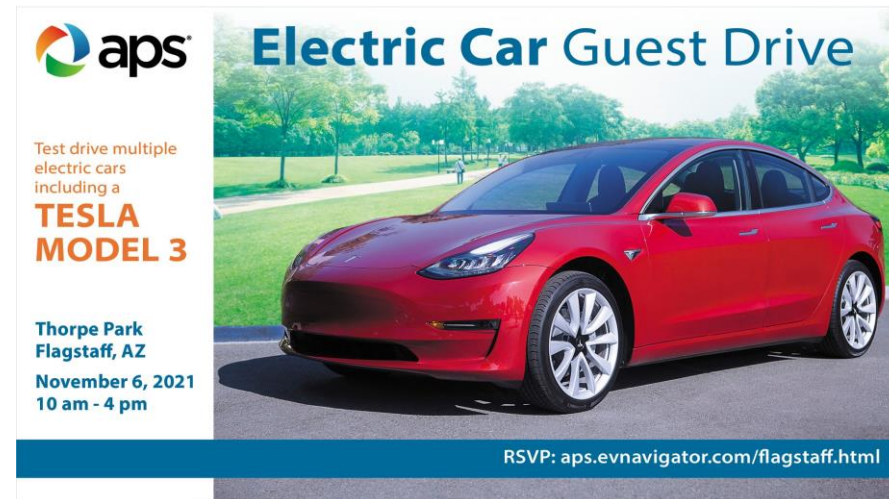


- Electric Vehicle Charging Stations:
  - Aquaplex – available for public use
  - Airport – construction January 2022
  - Visitor Center – awaiting final design
  - NACET Campus - waitlisted
- City Fleet purchases past 6 months
  - In-Service:
    - 1x Electric Riding Mower
    - 1x new Plug-in Hybrid EV for City Hall pool use
  - On Order:
    - 2x Hybrid SUVs for Building Inspectors
    - 1x EV Sedan for Parks
    - 5x EV Pickups

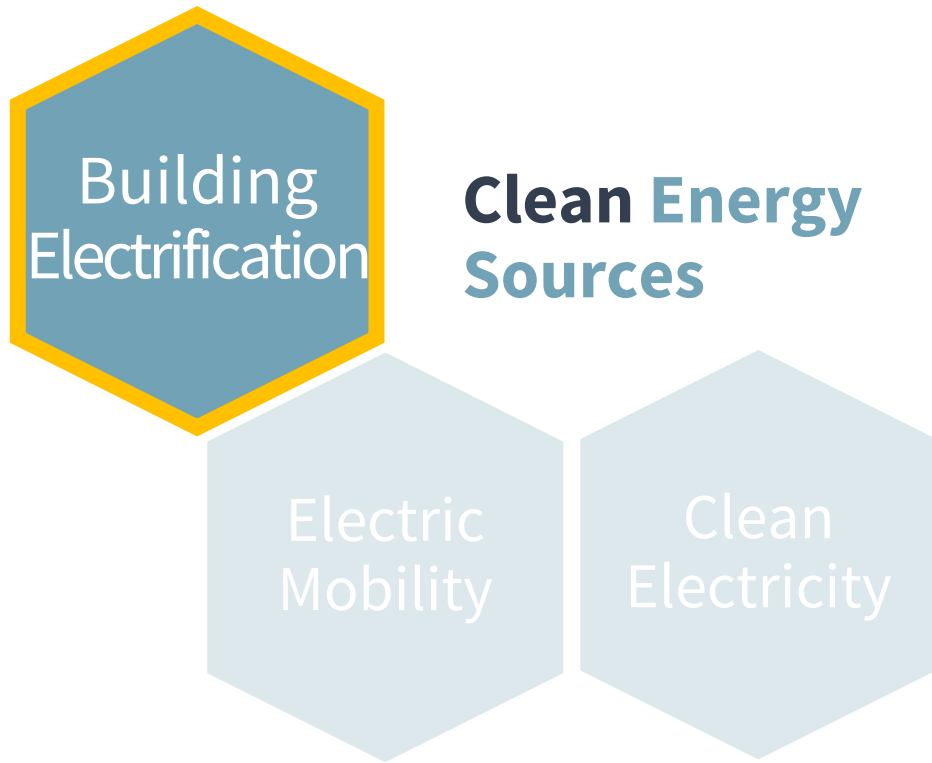




- Arizona Corporation Commission approved the final phase of the Transportation Electrification Plan
- Sustainable Automotive Rebates:
  - To date, have distributed just over \$7,000 and supported 15 sales
- Over 200 people experienced EVs during the Ride & Drive event with APS in November

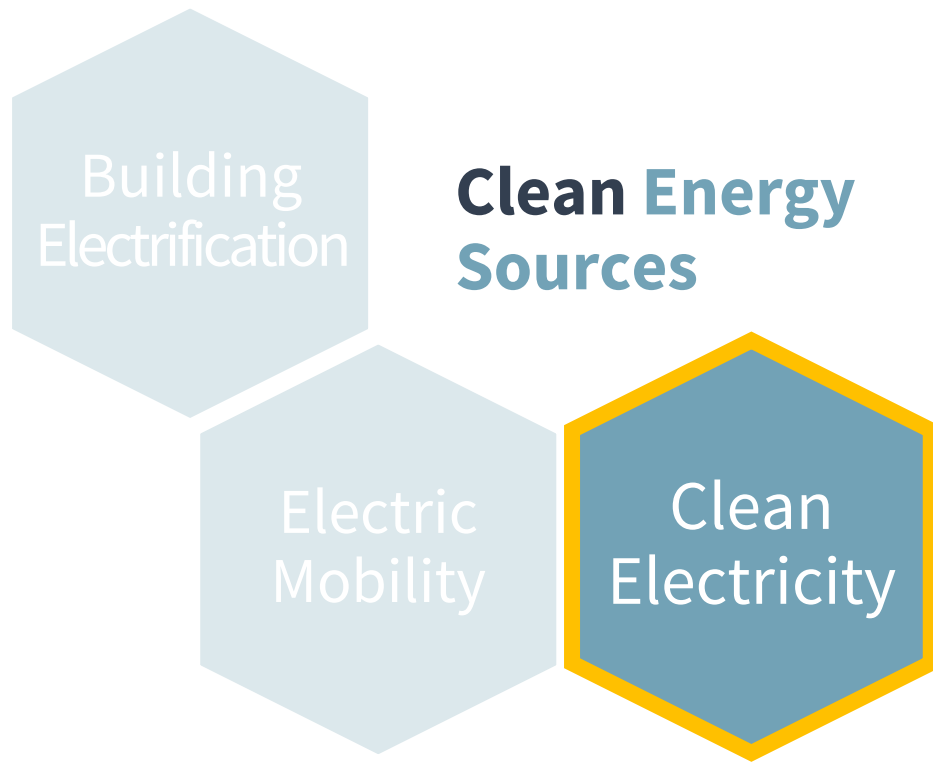






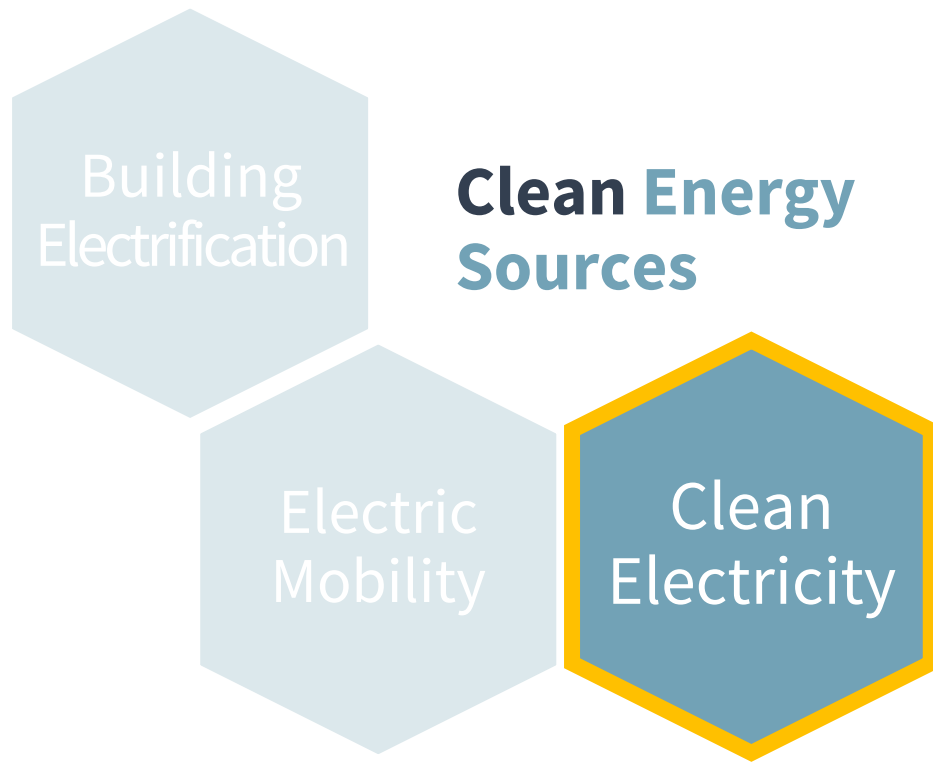
- Early adopter listening tour
  - Learnings, challenges, outcomes, etc.
- Community education and training
  - Working with the Electric League of Arizona, APS and other potential partners
    - Contractor training
    - Residential training
  - Programs for both residents and contractors





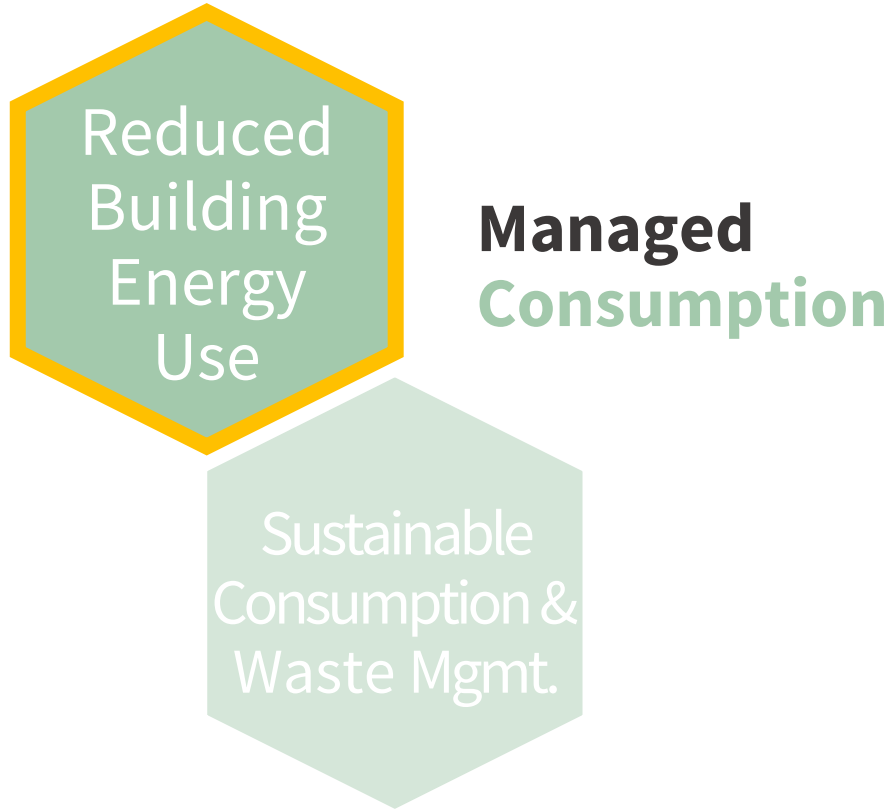
- Hoover (Year 4 of 50)
  - Water Year 2021 (Oct 20 – Sep 21)
  - Received 628 Megawatt Hours
  - Savings of \$21,000
  - 4-year cumulative savings:\$71,500
- Approved by Budget Team to purchase 100% of the City organization's electricity through APS Green Power Partners Program for the next six months
  - Leeward Wind Farm in New Mexico
  - 1<sup>st</sup> step in our energy independence trajectory





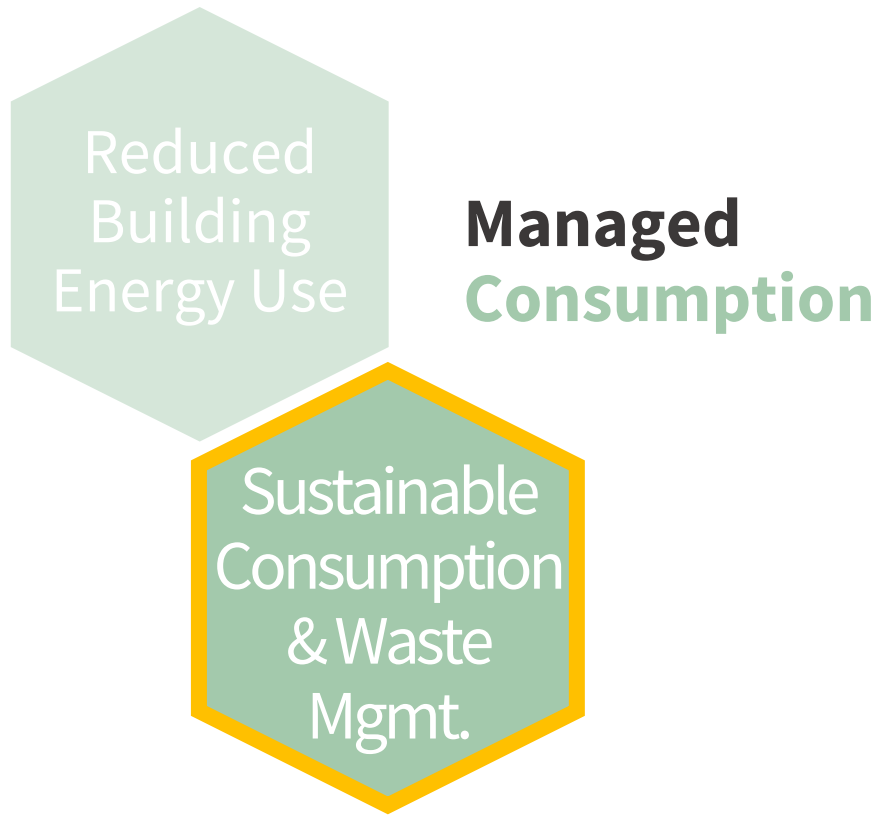
- **Solar Coop Update**
  - 68 installations now expected
    - 39 projects complete
    - 9 projects in cue
    - 20 projects in design/engineering/update
      - Will be installed in next 2-3 months
    - 681 kW total capacity
  - **Employment and Business Impact**
    - 5 new local hires
    - Installation, project mgmt., site analyst
    - “Coop nearly doubled our local business in 2021. Non-coop business was also up in 2021 from 2020 (which was a record year).”





- Energy Rebate Funds have been fully distributed
  - Will be dormant until FY 22 (July 2022)
  - In 4 of last 5 years all funds allocated by December/January
- Home Energy Efficiency Workshops
  - 4 workshops held so far
    - 2 in-person, 2 remote
    - Online course available anytime!
- Energy Services Contract
  - Work has begun - six sites audited: Aquaplex, City Hall, Lake Mary, Library, Rio de Flag, and Wildcat





- Waste Diversion Events
  - Drop-off Day
  - Pumpkin Drop-off
  - Fix-it Clinic
- Community Gardens/ Composting
  - Residential Food Scraps Drop-Off
- Trash Less Save More
  - Completed audit of Ponderosa Trails pilot area
  - Collected 3,200 data points



## Upholding our Commitment



- Kicked Off the Innovate Waste and Carbon Removal Challenge with NACET
- Delivered a [presentation](#) during the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Glasgow (COP26)
  - Co-presenters include Boulder County, Colorado, Center for Negative Carbon Emissions, Carbon Direct, and the OpenAir Collective
- Announced the launch of a Carbon Dioxide Removal coalition w/ Boulder County
  - To aggregate demand and help develop the market transformation for CDR



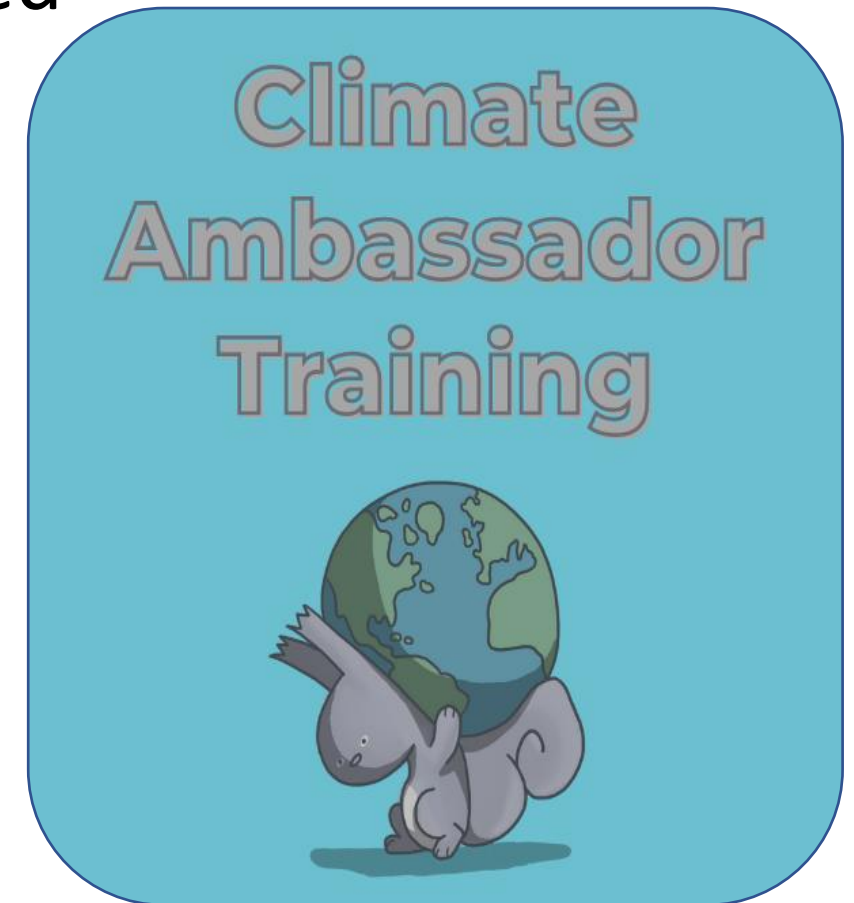


## Engagement

- Sustainability Leaders: 3<sup>rd</sup> cohort graduated
- Recognition by Arizona Forward
- Active Transportation Master Plan
- Climate Advisory Groups

## *Upcoming Opportunities*

- Home Energy Efficiency Workshop
  - 1/24/22
- Climate Ambassadors
  - 1/26/22 and 1/27/22







# Implementation Tools

- Carbon Neutrality Plan (CNP) information in Council Staff Summaries
- CNP information collection through new funding requests
- CDP A-List City Recognition
  - Based on inventory, disclosure protocol and CNP
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row
  - Less than 10% that disclose receive an A-list recognition
    - 94 cities worldwide in 2021





# Investment Strategy

- Completed the first Program Design Sprint with investment consultants for COF Residential Deep Decarbonization Initiatives:
  - Whole Home Retrofit Program
  - Rebate and Bulk Buy Programs
  - Note: Costs/Impacts incorporated into ongoing Bond discussions
- Preliminary finance model for Smart E-Loan program
  - Interest rate buy-down
  - Loan risk buy-down





# Investment Strategy

- Developed proposal for eight highly impactful projects to be considered by the Citizen Bond Committee:
  1. Healthy and Efficient Homes
  2. Energy Independence Initiative
  3. Safe and Accessible Bike and Pedestrian Infrastructure
  4. Community Health and Resilience Initiative
  5. Accessory Dwelling Units Infill Accelerator
  6. Healthy Homes and Stoves
  7. Community Electric Mobility
  8. Northern Arizona Food Systems Support





# Highlights of Upcoming Actions

- Update to the Sustainable Building Resolution with a focus on resiliency
- Prepare for Northern Arizona Solar Coop Round 2
- Prepare for earmark funding of a retrofit program through the Omnibus spending bill
- Complete tools and resources for the Residential Electrification Information Hub
- Expand the “Business Opportunity of Carbon Removal” programming with NACET
- Advance the Carbon Dioxide Removal Coalition
- Introduce Carbon Dioxide Removal Zoning Code Relief
- Propose Legislation to accelerate business development in Carbon Dioxide Removal (Carbon to Value)
- Present impacts of proposed bond projects to the Citizen Bond Committee



# Thank you

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## CLIMATE ADVISORY GROUPS



**Home Energy  
Efficiency  
Workshop**

January 24

6:00 - 7:00 pm

*in-person (TBD)*



**Climate  
Ambassador  
Training**

January 26 + 27

6:00 - 7:30 pm

*virtual 2-day training*



## **CITY OF FLAGSTAFF**

### **STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

**To:** The Honorable Mayor and Council  
**From:** Shannon Anderson, Deputy City Manager  
**Co-Submitter:** Heidi Hansen, Acting City Manager  
**Date:** 01/07/2022  
**Meeting Date:** 01/11/2022



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#### **TITLE**

**COVID-19 Update**

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

City staff will make a recommendation on the phase of the City's Re-Entry Plan and inform Council discussion about masks and COVID-19 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) attendance.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

City staff will present information on the City's Re-Entry Plan phases and Site Specific Plans for the Libraries and Recreation Facilities. The Re-Entry Team will provide a recommendation to City Council on the City's Phase and Site Specific Plan Tier. City staff will provide information to Council about masks and the COVID-19 EOC for discussion.

#### **INFORMATION:**

The City of Flagstaff is currently in Phase 3 of the City's Re-Entry Plan. The Re-Entry Team met on January 7, 2022 to discuss the phases and site specific plans in order to develop a recommendation for Council consideration.

City staff will provide an update about masks for City staff and the status of the masks donated for community distribution. There will also be information shared about the COVID-19 EOC meetings.

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#### **Attachments:**